

Tuesday, March Second, 1915.

GIANTS HAVE SEVERAL RECRUITS;
KINSELLA HAS THEM WORKING OUT

Party Is at Marlin in Advance of Regular Giant Squad;
New Men Include Ralph Stroud, of Coast League;
Fred Cook, of American Association, and
Alvah Gipe, Once With the Athletics.

BY DAMON REXYON.

MARLIN, TEX., March 2.—As a part of guest of the Richard F. Kinsella sightseeing and traveling association it will become a party to the regular Giant Squad. But we must confess a deadly enemy has already set in.

It is even so with the house gathering about the second or third day, and some men, sooner, one gets to know the associates too well, or not well enough, or their little foibles and tendencies to get upon one's nerves.

Mr. Kinsella, the genial host, is doing his level best to entertain his guests, but the trouble is that he does not provide sufficient variety. He seems to have dropped into a diversionary groove. It appears to be his idea that one can never be surprised by the scenes at Emerson field, the enclosure down the railroad tracks a piece, just beyond the cotton gin, whereas the truth is that all hands are now intensely bored by the spectacle. They have seen plenty.

Not for the world would anyone mention the matter to Mr. Kinsella. It might wound his feelings. They just go on visiting Emerson

field, pretending to be delighted with everything around there, although, as a matter of fact, there is mighty little in Emerson field, except a lot of Texas sunshine.

A Hobby With Mr. Kinsella.
Sunshine is Mr. Kinsella's hobby. He likes his sunshine both morning and afternoon, and we would probably have sunshine at night were it not for the moonshine that is to be found hereabouts in large quantities.

The other evening Mr. Kinsella might have been observed moonlighting himself on the lawn of the Arlington hotel, and as a mark of respect to him most of his guests went to bed early.

We wish the reader might know Mr. Kinsella better. He is a general manager, as mentioned above, and is a man of one track idea about what a guest ought to see, in a man of the world. He has been far and seen much. He can spot a top on a fast ball from here to the Platanillo building, and can detect a pair of baseball hands even if they are hidden in a pair of woolen mittens.

He can tell you to the eighth of a second how fast a young man is moving from home plate to first base, and he can censor a guest list at a glance. In fact, it is rumored that so far as he is personally concerned he has already censured his present guest list to some extent. Several of the youngsters who are here now will be invited to accompany the next expedition, which goes to show you how soon a fellow is considered a regular to the naked eye of Mr. Kinsella.

Arrival of Mrs. Thaw.
The sensation of the day in Marlin was the arrival of Evelyn Nesbit Thaw, Mrs. Alexander Schauer, formerly of Odesa, Russia, but more recently of Riddle Hill, N. D., who is by way of being a right pitching pitcher, went down to the H. & T. C. depot to see Mrs. Thaw get in, and he was somewhat disappointed to learn that she was coming by express only. She was represented by a couple of miles of moving pictures.

This Mr. Alexander Schauer we speak of is the young man who cost Mr. Kinsella \$10,000 of New York Giants' admission fees. We know that this was the price paid because Alexander says that the man who owned the Superior club in Wisconsin where Alexander played, posted all the telegrams sent him by Mr. Kinsella in a clear store window where the public might read and marvel.

For nearly a year now Alexander has squatted obscurely on the bench of the New York Giants watching them blow the pennant, and nothing has come from it. Mr. Kinsella believes that the time has arrived, however, when Alexander can step forward and pitch a vast amount of baseball. Mr. Kinsella says there must be a lot of pitching in Alexander, because now he is coming to Marlin, and Alex gets his real trial this season, and Mr. Kinsella is watching him with \$10,000 worth of interest.

Close in a long grassy outfield, Alexander is galloping madly about Emerson field these days trying to see everything at once. He has looked over the warmup station in company with Harry Smith, the Savannah marvel, and has sought the elusive fly ball in the far outfield to the end that he may get his wind and be strong and healthy.

Harry Smith a Member.
Harry Smith is one of the members of the Richard F. Kinsella association, who is believed to have a good chance of landing employment with the National Exhibition company next season.

There are three or four of these almost enterprising now in the Kinsella party. Ralph Stroud, a serious, earnest, serious mannered pitcher, formerly of the Pacific Coast league, and who was once with Detroit, is one. Fred Cook, a veteran of many hot summers, was sent over in the American association, is another.

These fellows have a chance because they know how to pitch. They are not youngsters in point of experience, and are wise in pitching wit.

Al Denmore was no exception. He was picked up by McGraw two years ago, but Denmore helped the Giants win a pennant. Both Stroud and Cook were selected by McGraw himself on the recommendation of baseball friends.

Alvah Gipe Is Still Another.
Alvah Gipe is still another pitcher who might be classified as a reasoner. He is comparatively young in years. He spent a brief period with the Athletics, and he has a great deal of size to recommend him. Gipe is the hunch of potential pitchers now under the tutelage of Mr. Kinsella answers the requirements required by the league, except of Cook. Gipe is the biggest and flattest of them.

Jim Flynn Is Here: 'Gunboat' Smith Isn't
Curley Is Due In Havana To See Johnson

BY "BECK."

FIREMAN JIM FLYNN, one time contender for the heavyweight championship of the world, is in town. Jim performed the stunt of finding himself. The promoters who were trying to locate him for a home town fight, Jim left Louisville, Ky., a week ago, saying he was going to Chicago and then on to Cuba. He got word that he was wanted here but didn't trouble to answer, simply taking a westbound train.

Tom Jones, who is now in charge of the promotion bureau for Jack Curley, was doing his daily bit of worry in the office Monday afternoon when the door opened and a blaze of glory flooded in. When Tom got his optics accustomed to the bright glare, he discovered that they were caused by Jim Flynn's diamonds and back of the diamonds was Jim himself.

"Hello, Tom," Jim "Gunboat" here yelled the ex-fighter. He was crestfallen when he found that Smith was not here, was not here, was not here, was not here. He was crestfallen when he found that Smith was not here, was not here, was not here, was not here.

But the promoters couldn't find Flynn last Saturday and Gunboat was told to wait. See Opponent For Flynn.

The wires were kept busy Monday night in an effort to land a good man to go against Flynn, but good heavyweights, white in color, are scarce these days and Jim draws the color line except for Jack Johnson.

The writer suggested to Jones that Flynn be matched with Jack Hemple, now at Willard's camp for a third or fourth round. Jones demurred, saying that it would look odd

up in the third. In the first half of the fight, Hemple reached first base on his single. Larry Doyle, then, came down with a home run drive that netted the Giants two runs and the game, 2 to 1.

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Than Any Man Who Ever Held the Belt;
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By "TEX" O'ROURKE, Willard's Sparring Partner.

VERY few days I receive a letter asking me how Willard compares with the "old time" fighters. Now, I will admit that the large part of what I tell you is about the old

timers is from hearsay and record books, but I believe that Jesse bears the same relation to Corbett, Sharkey, Sullivan and others of their day, that athletes in every other line do to the athletes of a generation ago.

Whether it be business, science or sport, wherever you find competition, you will find a gradual improvement. Some one just a little better, with a newer idea, or an improvement on an old one, is always coming along demanding recognition.

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